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- Lay two of the sticks side by side so they are level and tape them together along the middle. Do the same with the other two pairs of sticks. Look at the picture to help you.
- Now turn the pairs over and line them all up. Use a piece of tape to fasten each of the sets of two together. Now your lollipop sticks will concertina (zigzag) up into a pile without coming apart.
- Decorate your sticks with a picture and the words “Good friend stick together”.
- Fold the concertina up and tie with a ribbon to give to your friend as a gift.



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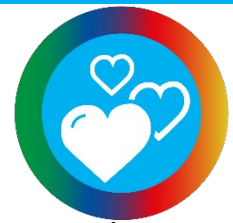
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Jonathan said, "Go in peace! The two of us have vowed friendship in God's name, saying, 'God will be the bond between me and you, and between my children and your children forever!'" *Scriptures quoted from the International Children's Bible®, copyright © 1986, 1988, 1999, 2015 by Tommy Nelson. Used by permission.*

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